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HONGKONG DEFENCE CORPS.

Administrative Orders by Major G. H. Wakeman, V.D., Acting Administrative Commandant.

STRENGTH.

Private L. Gibbs, "D" Company, is permitted to resign, dated 23rd June, 1919.

LEAVE.

L. Corpl. R. E. Sedgwick, Mounted Section, is granted 12 months' leave from 9th July, 1919.

Gnr. G. Dumbarton, Arty. Coy., is granted 9 months' leave, to date from day of departure.

Pte. W. A. Dowley, "D" Coy., is granted 9 months' leave from 10th July, 1919.

Pte. J. J. Harrington, "D" Coy., is granted 6 weeks' leave from 7th August, 1919.

ANNUAL MUSKETRY COURSE.

The following is the result of firing of Annual Course by a portion of No. 2 Platoon, "A" Company:

Number exercised	17
Marksmen	1
1st Class Shots	12
2nd "	3
3rd "	1
	17

The averages obtained were:

Practice No.	13	15.2
" "	14	23.7
" "	15	12.1
" "	16	24.8
" "	17	8.1
" "	18	8.9
" "	19	8.8

Platoon average 101.6

Orders for Artillery Company by Major J. H. W. Armstrong, V.D.

PARADES AT BELCHERS BATTERY.

Thursday, 3rd July, 7.30 a.m. Right Half Coy. New Layers' class.

Friday, 4th July, 5.30 p.m. Left Half Coy. New Layers' class.

Examination by the I. G. of New Layers of both Half Companies will be held on Sunday, 6th July. Full particulars will be issued in next orders.

ORDERS FOR ENGINEER COMPANY BY CAPTAIN R. HALL.

Parade. The whole Company will parade at Murray Parade Ground for Infantry Instruction at 5.15 p.m. on Friday 4th July. Dress, Drill order (shorts and putties).

D. E. L. Instructional Classes. Recruits will parade for D. E. L. instruction under R. E. Instructors at Belchers at 9 p.m. on Wednesday 2nd July. These classes are obligatory for all who have not passed for the "Proficient" (1st) rating. Officer on duty: Captain R. Hall.

Orders for Infantry Battalion by Major Wakeman, V.D., Officer Commanding.

"A" COMPANY.

Wednesday, 2nd July.—5.15 p.m. No. 3 Platoon, at King's Park Range. Annual Musketry Course, Part 1, Practices 1 and 2. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Friday, 4th July.—3.15 p.m. No. 3 Platoon, at King's Park Range. Annual Musketry Course, Part 1, Practices 3 and 4. Dress, drill order with pouches.

SIGNALLING SECTION.

Wednesday, 2nd July.—5.15 p.m. At King's Park Range. Annual Musketry Course, Part 1, Practices 1 and 2. Dress Drill order with pouches.

Friday, 4th July.—5.15 p.m.—At King's Park Range. Annual Musketry Course, Part 1, Practice 3 and 4. Dress Drill order with pouches.

Orders for Cadet Company by Lieut. A. C. Brown.

Bathing-Parade. Launch will leave Blake Pier on Wednesday, 2nd July, at 5.00 p.m. and call at Kowloon 10 minutes later.

G. E. STEWART, Captain, Adjutant, H.K. Defence Corps. Hongkong, 27th June, 1919.

HONGKONG POLICE RESERVE.

Orders issued by Mr. J. W. Franks, D.S.P.R.

ARMS LICENCES.

Members holding permits from the Hon. C.S.P. to carry or own Arms privately are required to furnish to the Secretary H.K.P.R. on or before the 1st July, a description of the Arm or Arms and the amount of ammunition for which the permit has been issued, together with the number of such permit.

Failure to comply with this instruction will render any permit at present valid, liable to cancellation.

THE SINGAPORE RIOTS.

DESCRIPTION BY AN EYE WITNESS.

A *China Mail* reporter has just had the pleasure to meet Mr. Seth J. Story, travelling salesman of the Star Trading Corporation of San Francisco. Mr. Story came back to Hongkong by the "Neleus", this morning having been in Singapore and the F.M.S. on business. He has had as many trips to the Orient as 19, having first come this way in 1900.

Mr. Story was willing to tell the *China Mail* his experiences in Singapore during the riots in connection with the Japanese boycott there. In telling the story Mr. Story said:

It was devilishly hot on the night of June 10 and at about 10.30 I decided to go along the water front for a walk. I was in the vicinity where a regular Japanese Colony is installed and had just turned a corner when I was overwhelmed by a mob of Japanese and Chinese. I had no idea there was any trouble. Soon I was in a crowd of beating Japanese and pursuing Chinese, the latter armed with businesslike bamboo poles. Cracking of skulls was common and I quickly decided that to make myself scarce was the order of the moment. But I couldn't get out of the bunch. I then lay down as near the side of the road as I could get and was kicked and trampled upon by what seemed thousands.

When the crowd had passed my clothes were torn and in a hopeless condition, all in about 10 minutes. I was smothered in dirt, no beach; never presented such a spectacle as I.

The Police followed armed with truncheons only, at least they had no guns showing. During the fracas 10 were stabbed and others with severe injuries brought the total up to 21. Masters got worse and the Police fired on the mob, killing two instantly. The numbers hurt by whacks from the bamboos were too numerous to reckon.

This disturbance kept up all night and the next day (June 20). In High Street the crowd went along smashing windows and entering the stores. They were not out for looting as they took all goods they thought were Japanese threw them into the street in a heap and set fire to them.

This scared the Chinese merchants badly and on June 20 to give a practical demonstration of their sympathies with the boycotters, each storekeeper put a heap of goods, said to be Japanese, outside his store and made a bon fire of them. Then all stores closed, the shutters going up. Matters became so bad on June 20, that the damage to property and loss of life and injury to persons caused the Singapore Government to declare a state of martial law. This brought out pickets from the Navy, Regular troops and the Singapore Volunteers. The most interesting bunch on this job were the men from H.M.S. "Sydney." There were many men from this ship. The pickets kept down the rioters and matters became quiet by the night of June 20.

In sympathy with the movement all carriage drivers and ricksha pullers went on strike. Large numbers of Chinese hired motor cars and paraded the streets, bearing banners exhorting the Chinese to boycott all things Japanese.

Mr. Story left Singapore the day after martial law was proclaimed and things were going strong in the boycott line. He predicts that Japanese business in Singapore and the F.M.S. will be a long time recovering.

Leaving aside the riot question Mr. Story said that business in Singapore and the F.M.S. is wonderful. He says he hasn't experienced like in the last 19 years. Money is plentiful especially among the Chinese merchants.

The hotel question cropped up as is becoming natural here and in Singapore. On the night of his arrival in Singapore Mr. Story had to walk the streets, being unable to get accommodation. The second night he was forced to spend at a Japanese hotel and the third day he managed to share a room in a European hotel. Mr. Story also mentioned the tremendous difficulty of getting a passage from Singapore to Hongkong.

THE CIRCUS.

The big Circus announce a change of programme commencing at the Matinee to-morrow. New animal acts, the "Slide for Life" by Ciro and other wonderful feats.

The management advise early booking. See to-day's advertisement on page 8.

EMPIRE REVUE COMPANY.

OPENING PERFORMANCE.

Mr. George Ross presented his Revue Company to Hongkong at the Theatre Royal last night. The company only arrived in the morning and the evening was fearfully hot. Yet the company gave a clever and spirited show.

Alma Waite and six of the Beauty Chorus gave a good send off to the programme by song and dance. Bertie the dancing comedian was responsible for novel dancing; the dastardly manipulation of his feet being very amusing. He was heartily enjoyed.

Billy and Dots Harley were unable to appear as Dorothy Sutton and Hugo Graham filled the breach on a beach with a lot of fun about a bathers' suit of clothes. Hal, a juggling juggler, appeared a cool and calculating customer but we saw him after and he wasn't as cool as he looked. His turn was top hole. Juggling stunts mixed up with witticisms that went down A.I.

Miss Edyth Hyland was severely tested. Her voice is powerful but very pleasing and her singing earned very marked appreciation. Her first song "I wonder if Love's a dream" was followed by "O Sole Mio," and the audience demanding more, very unreasonably on such a trying night, Miss Hyland sang "When you come Home."

The company's *tailor* came on next, immaculately attired to do some real knockabout business on the piano. Mr. Ross started by showing us that he can do the sort of entertaining brought to a fine art by the late lamented Harry Fragman. His playing of a trombone was the cause of much mirth, his antics being so absurd. After entertaining the audience in that way for a while he went on to play the piano from all manner of grotesque positions. He was almost as facile playing on his head as on his stool. He said and did some clever things and his contribution was full of go and went off to rounds of applause.

Another very popular turn was Benson and Bertie in juggling and jesting. This pair did a heap of clever things that we hadn't seen here before. Their work with the clubs was extra special. The clubs flew from one to the other with astonishing rapidity. The ease with which one took the place of the other while the clubs were flying about was neat and well deserved the applause the artists received.

Miss Edyth Hyland sang "Smiles" and another song in the second half in her capable way. The chorus performed twice, but we are to see more of them when the "revenue" starts.

The company will find that the Hongkong public prefer a performance which gives a little play to be it ever such a little plot or story. The pick and stalls were packed last night but there was room for more in the dress circle.

"The Follies" is awaited with much interest by theatregoers and "Let's Go."

BRAINLESS PRINCE.

One rather likes the late Crown Prince of Germany. He hasn't the brains to be a successful impostor, and his discourses on the war are quite entertaining. Especially naive is the manner in which he deprecates Germany's lack of friends. It was all for want of propaganda. We had all thought that Germany was the Great Propagandist, but according to the Crown Prince practically nothing was done till after the war had begun. And then, as he says, "What propaganda!" But what touching faith! The Crown Prince is not alone in his belief that Propaganda is mighty and will prevail. The mania for propaganda is more diffused and more deadly than the Spanish influenza. Those infected by it are quite unable to understand that, sooner or later, the propaganda will be tested by reference to facts, and that if it fails to pass the test, it will have an effect the very opposite of that intended. They believe rather that a "throughgoing propaganda" can create its own facts.

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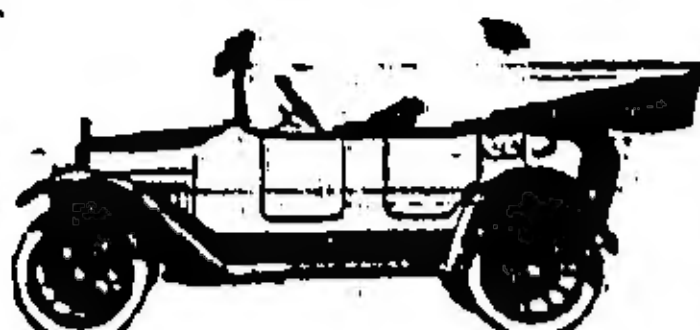
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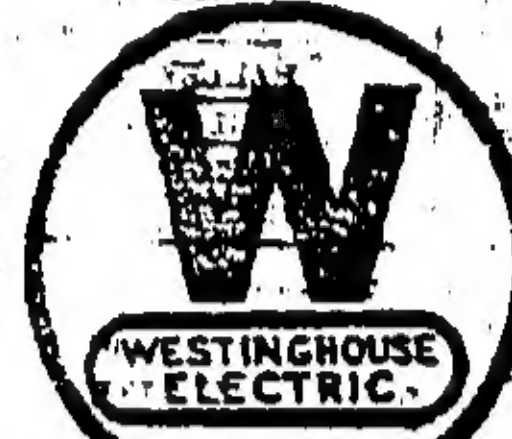
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posed to have given its assent—
Imperial Preferences, key industries,
and "anti-dumping" legislation—only
the first finds place in Mr. Chamber-
lain's Budget. Nor, in view of the
urgent necessity of an open door for
foreign goods and raw materials, was
it feasible to extend the principle
far enough to give any preference of
large immediate value to any portion
of our Empire. The "small begin-
nings" for which Mr. Chamberlain
apologised must therefore be taken
as an earnest of larger favours to
come, and as the assertion of a fiscal
principle which is at once to bind
the different parts of our Empire in
bonds of common trade interests and
to convert it as far as possible into a
self-sufficing economic union.The present Customs tariff only
furnishes a trifling contribution to
this great object. Per ton, sugar,
coffee, opium, wines, spirits, and
tobacco form a very small percentage
of our normal imports. Moreover,
before the war out of dutiable food
imports amounting to 38 millions in
value only about 15 millions came
from British possessions. This value,
was made up out of the following:
Rice, Tea 15 millions, cocoa 12
millions, sugar one million, coffee
£96,000, rum £314,000, wine
£147,000. During the war the total
importation of tea fell considerably,
and Indian and Ceylon tea almost
monopolised the reduced market.
In 1918 the proportion from our
possessions was 87 per cent. It is
probably now nearer 97 per cent.
The preference here therefore operates
mainly as a general reduction of
import duty and of price. To a
rather less extent the same is true
of coconut, three-fifths of which was of
Imperial origin. The reduction of
consumption during the war has been
mainly in the foreign article. It is
not improbable that in this case the
substantial preference of 2d. in the
shilling will well-nigh extinguish the
foreign imports.The case of sugar is different.
Here British Possessions, only
furnished a very small percentage
of the 40,000,000 cwt. imported in
1918, and valued at £23,000,000.
Most of the refined imported sugar
was from Germany, Austria, Bel-
gium, and France, chiefly from the
two enemy countries, while the un-
refined article came partly from the
Continent, partly from Cuba, Cen-
tral and South America, and Portu-
guese East Africa. It is manifestly
impossible by means of the prefer-
ence to do more than slightly
diminish this dependence upon for-
eign sources. Of our coffee imports
in 1918 less than one-eighth came
from our Possessions, chiefly from
India.Under the head of spirits, the only
kind in which the Empire is inter-
ested is rum, of which 82 per cent. in
1918 came from the West Indies and
British Guiana. The effect of the
preference of 2s. 6d. per gallon now
will be to stamp out the competition
of Cuba.The project of substituting colonial
for foreign wines has never had much
chance of success. For, after all our
Imperial advertising, the total im-
portation of wines from Australia and
South Africa was only 8 per cent.,
three Continental countries—France,
Portugal, and Spain—supplying
about 88 per cent. of the whole im-
ports. Wine drinking is altogether
on the decline, and the preference
is exceedingly unlikely to have much
effect in stimulating the Imperial
trade.The immediate effect of the pre-
ference is the loss of three millions
to the revenue in a full year and the
support of a noxious notion that it
is desirable and possible to work
towards the realisation of an isolated
self-sufficing British Empire. Econ-
omically its mischief is not fully
realised in the present measure.
But if, as Mr. Chamberlain contends,
this is the beginning of a great
scheme of Imperial development, we
can only insist that it is an endea-
vour to waste the resources of the
Empire by trying to force them into
certain special uses and to injure our
substance and industry by restrict-
ing the variety of sources of supply
for food and raw materials. But
there is another incident in Mr.
Chamberlain's plan which deserves
comment. He has used this prefer-
ence to maintain the war import
duties put upon clocks, films, and
certain other manufactured articles
nominal in order to discourage un-
necessary expenditure and to assist
foreign exchange. An Empire pre-
ference amounting to one-third of the
duty is given on these. For the
moment such a preference is mean-
ingless, for except for some quite
trivial manufactures from Canada it
is impossible that any of these arti-
cles can come from our possessions.
But the preference will have to main-
tain the beginning of a protective
tariff on our manufactures.More immediately mischievous will
be the political effects of preference.
It will suggest to a suspicious world
that the country is moving towards
a general Protectionist policy, which
will deprive foreign nations of equal
access to the great supplies of mate-
rials which our Empire contains and
the hitherto open markets for their
goods in this country and our pos-
sessions. Even the little preference in
the "Budget will not like pinpricks
in the sensitive skin of foreign
nations, who see Great Britain issu-
ing from this great struggle with
large new rich lumps of the world
in her possession. France and Spain
and Italy will not like to see their
wines taxed more heavily than the
Australian and African. Nor willthe United States be pleased with
the discrimination in favour of
Egyptian and Indian tobacco. The
reversion of taxes upon certain
manufactured luxuries will be taken
hardly by France and Italy, whose
need for profitable export trade will
be urgent.But more injurious by far is the
geographical bearing of this discriminating
tariff upon the great issue of peace
and the internationalism of the
League of Nations. Every student
of this scheme and of the idea it
embodies knows that its success or
failure depends upon the effective
realisation throughout the world of
equality of economic opportunity
more than upon any other factor.
It is therefore nothing less than
lamentable that within a few days
of our setting our seal upon this
great pacific instrument we should
violate its equalitarian spirit by this
discriminating tariff. For nobody
can for one moment suppose that the
nations allied with us now or in the
future in this great enterprise of the
League can possibly acquiesce in a
project which developed along the
lines foreshadowed by Mr. Chamber-
lain and his supporters, which signify
the monopoly for this country of all
the best natural resources of a large
number of the richest countries of
the earth and a closing of the free
markets of this country and the Em-
pire to their exported manufactures.
How can we possibly expect to keep
most-favoured-nation treatment in
foreign countries when we announce
such intentions? Having Germany
will not be slow to take advantage
of the weakness and suspicion which
must be engendered of this tariff
policy to other terms of commerce
which will secure for her at our ex-
pense the expanding foreign markets
she will need. Moreover, this pre-
ference cannot fail to feed the feel-
ing already manifested in some quar-
ters that England is playing fast and
loose with the unity of her Empire.
When she wants representation on
the League each of her Dominions
ranks as a separate self-governing
unit, and she becomes not one but
six. When business considerations
occupy her attention she seeks to
weild her Empire into a solid block,
presenting to the outside world a
single economic system. Of course,
she cannot succeed in doing this, but
any progress she makes towards it is
fraught with economic and political
injuries which are peculiarly grave
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C. W. BECKWITH,
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Hongkong, June 25, 1919.

G. R.

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Hongkong, June 25, 1919.

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Association by an Extraordinary and
Special Meetings of the Shareholders
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decided later."

By Order of the Board,
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Secretary.

June 23, 1919.

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Hongkong, June 16, 1919.

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HONGKONG, FRIDAY, JUNE 27, 1919.

VARNISH.

Our two correspondents of yesterday should be interested to learn that in Myrin 179 of the first Mandala of the Rig-Veda the word *varna* is used in the sense of "colour," to distinguish the dark Dravidians from the lighter Indians. This word (from which we may or may not have derived our word "varnish") is used still in the sense of "caste." The word "caste" is of Portuguese origin. Thus we find "colour prejudice" at a time far back in the history of humanity, and long before the "white man," who is sometimes accused of originating it, had made himself known to the devotees of Indra. The colour of the skin was thus the first difference noted when men began to observe their differences. Noses came next, the Dravidians being "noseless" to the (so-called) Aryans, and the nonsense about heads followed. Blumenbach, of whom more anon, has the credit in Europe for first classifying races by the size and shape of the skull, a method that was orthodox anthropology until within the last decade or so. But he was long forestalled by Professor Vesalius (early 16th century) who discovered that the heads of Greeks and Turks were "globular," the Belgians "oblong," and that the Germans had generally a flattened occiput and broad head, because the children are always laid on their backs in the cradles. This feature accounts for the seafaring term, "squareheads." The term "anthropology," by the way, now used to fit talk about men, was applied originally by Aristotle to men given to talking of themselves! It may yet come to be used to describe the type represented by our two correspondents, who are certainly anthropoid, and addicted to the strong word (*logos*). They are as bitter as Buffon, but less polite. Of the still respected categories of Linnaeus, Buffon said "Les genres, les ordres, les classes, n'existent que dans son imagination." Il n'y a que des individus. Curiously enough, so far as the classification of humans is concerned, anthropology is coming round to Buffon's opinion. Anthrop-

ometry is discredited, except so far as Bertillon and the police use it to identify individuals. Colour, size and shape of head, weight of brain, no longer count. Even the "criminal type" of Lombroso is proved a myth, along with the blonde brachycephalic of Germany and the "Mongolian type" of head, which the present writer in *Chambers' Journal* showed three lustres ago to be an illusion. "Il n'y a que des individus." Many years ago, from one of the bookstalls on the Seine embankment, we picked up a treasure in the *De generis humani* of Blumenbach, with its plates and curious lore. This was undoubtedly the pioneer of methodical text books, though later research has put it hopelessly out of date. It is necessary to mention that even Blumenbach was sufficiently up to date in the early years of the 19th century to criticise, and dismiss the argument used by Mr. John Kestrel from the "frontal development." In these days, craniology, so far as measuring mental power goes, is relegated to a place like that occupied by phrenology—that is to say, entirely outside scientific attention. Even cubical capacity is discounted now, partly owing to the anomalies discovered by the paleontologists, and partly to the studies of men like Loeb and Broca. Professor Macalister says craniometric literature is as unsatisfactory as it is dull. Every race, even the smallest, was found to have an infinite variety. While it was still the vogue, however, one of the chief French pioneers of anthropology gave those Teutonic supermen the Prussians occasion to exercise their minds. In 1871 de Quatrefages published a pamphlet to prove that the Prussians were not Teutonic at all, but Finns, and descended from Mongol invaders. This set them to work compiling anthropological statistics, and unfortunately Count Gobineau, another Frenchman of less scientific qualifications, restored their racial conceit by re-establishing the Teutonic idea and citing them as the most advanced type of Europeans. This sort of controversy gives to anthropology a popular interest. The large audiences drawn to the Anthropological Section of the British Association were set down by Huxley as due to the heliose instinct of man, the data tending to indulge the prejudice against the foreigner who is "different." This idea wins colour from the history of the slavery question in the United States, when advocates of slavery quoted every favourable anthropological note. One Southern writer said "the negro is a beast, but created with articulate speech, and hands, that he may be of service to his master—the white man!" This highly Christian treatise was published by the American Book and Bible House, St. Louis, Missouri, as recently as 1900.

JOHN KESTREL AGAIN: ROUND THREE.

Science, says Mr. Kestrel, has attained its present development by the martyrdom of many a teacher. The context is plain enough. He doesn't care for popularity. He would rather be a martyr. This is an opening, which permits this feint that before he can bid for the glory of a martyred teacher, he must first qualify to teach. This counts as a light tap on the nose. He wonders if any of us would consider an uneducated coolie as our equal. Why not? The argument is about natural capacity, not about education. An uneducated coolie is not the equal in education of an educated man—we will grant that; but the point was whether in natural capacity for education there are racial inferiorities. If we were to imitate Mr. Kestrel's method of dodging the issue and steering off the course, we could argue that the coolie who shows self-control when struck by a bully is our superior—since we are still barbarous enough, despite our education, to jump the bully and try to destroy him. This is a left hook under the right ear.

The same applies to Mr. Kestrel's reference to craniometry. Possibly in arguing with uneducated people he says that sort of thing effective. He says that if we will refer to Duckworth's *Morphology* and *Anthropology* published in 1904 we will not be so sure. He doesn't quote Duckworth in defence of craniometry as an index to mental capacity, which was the point of our remark, and the gravamen of the argument he himself started. As it happens, we have read the book. We retain an impression that Duckworth was too dogmatic, too enthusiastic, about phrenology, and too much of a connoisseur in which Duckworth was only one of a dozen. In the nature of things he dealt with craniometry on the point whether the Java skull was human, partly human, or simian; but we will be greatly surprised (and will gladly eat our words) if Mr. Kestrel can quote any words by Duckworth which uphold craniometry, the facial index, etc., as evidence of intellectual power. That was the point. That is the point. Let us stick to it. Mr. Kestrel has undertaken to prove the natural racial inferiority of the negro. He referred to the negro's sloping forehead. We said this sort of anthropometry was now abandoned by the best authorities. We do not admit that Duckworth is an exception, until Mr. Kestrel quotes him to the point. Sollas has pointed out that the older the remains (in France) the larger the cranial capacity seems to be. It is to this we referred (see to-day's editorial) when casually mentioning "paleontological anomalies." A straight punch.

Finally, see what a humbug friend John is. He bewails the bygone seriousness of the *China Mail* in a previous avatar, and makes a sly dig with a reference to "Comic Cuts." He himself, you are to note, takes life seriously, and that, because (on his own admission) some yawping female poet said that life is real and earnest, doggerel that cranks and other half-baked bodes have parroted ever since, in excuse of their own fussy procedure. But Mr. Kestrel is not too serious-minded to try the jocular vein himself. He reproves us with a "passing smile," you may remember, and he winds up by suggesting that our Ceylonese friend got sunstroke as well as suntan. He, John, life is the best joke of the lot. Read Ecclesiastes. Forget what a terribly learned fellow you are, and try to be human. Have another look at that "uneducated coolie" of yours. He is a laugher, a good tempered fellow, and taking his handicaps into account, we cannot fairly call him our inferior. A knockout?

A KICK.

The Executive Committee of the Peace Celebrations Committee met yesterday at noon. The members probably knew this meeting was to be held. We deduce this from the fact that they were present. The *China Mail* wasn't warned. It would, like to be, in future. A hint to the intelligent. Not that there was any valuable news about, from the newspaper seller's point of view. A provisional programme for a performance more than a month ahead was sent to us directly (as from one set of public servants to another) to notify us so that we could have collected it directly. As it was, we had to trouble one of our morning contemporaries for it. The secretary of the executive committee may say that it is no part of his business to work for the *China Mail*, that we have no *locus standi*, or that he was too busy. Working backwards, let us say that too busy men have no right to accept such positions, if they cannot discharge them fully. The *locus standi* argument (if advanced) is easily answered. We represent the public (his master) as a result of election at the head of the poll of circulation and popularity. Consequently, in sending us that information, or in notifying us in good time to get it, he would not have been working for us but for the public, his master and ours. That will be all at present. Thank you.

THE DEADLY SERIOUS.

Admiral Fitzgerald wrote an article on submarine warfare, in which he expressed his personal preference for surface fighting. In the course of the article he used tropes, as all good writers do. He likened the deeds of the submarine to the acts of a secret assassin. He was merely protesting in a general way against the ethics of submarine warfare, which is a matter of taste. Mark the sequel. He received a communication from the Secretary to the Admiralty informing him that their Lordships had received complaints from submarine officers "in regard to" imputations "cast on them." This is so like a common Hongkong method of criticism that it seems to us to warrant our attitude towards the John Kestrels and others who take themselves too seriously. Hard words break no bones. Ideas (so far as British skulls are concerned) have to fight for existence. They are hermit crabs, that must shelter their soft and defenceless carcasses in other shells. Those that survive are fit to survive. Those that don't aren't. Give 'em all a chance. They are looking for empty shells, be it understood. Naturally, a shell that is occupied will not entertain them; but it need not go after them to destroy them, which seems to be the impulse of human intolerance. Controversial intolerance is all right, it is part of the game. But suggestions to the Proprietor to sack the writer or complaints to and communications from the Admiralty are another story. See the difference? Those submarine officers could have written a rejoinder to Admiral Fitzgerald in the same magazine, and made all square. They sneaked to the Admiralty, and made all crooked. They took words and themselves far too seriously. A certain amount of seriousness, of course, is desirable. Well, Rabelais is serious enough, at bottom, but note his style. There's a difference. Jesus was serious—but compare His delightful controversial style with the stodgy metaphysics of Paul.

HAVE THEY SIGNED?

Intellectual arrogance is not confined to the intellectual. Asked if he had read the correspondence in the *China Mail*, a man said: "I've no time for that sort of nonsense. Is it true the Germans have signed?" He quite evidently thought he was being practical-minded. Was he? Where's the sense of all this impatience for a signature that is guaranteed and whose omission is extremely unlikely? The Germans had no option. The Allies were more than ready, and there could be no more war "war" the name so far as German opposition is concerned. For really practical persons the armistice was the end of anxiety. For them it's dotted, their official announcement of two days ago was enough. Now a large number of *quid nuncs* are fussing over the actual signing. When that is reported, they will worry over something else. Perhaps they'll say: Now that it is signed, will it be another "scrap of paper." They seem to be related to the type who, given a lift in a dogcart, snatch at the reins when the efficient driver is turning a corner.

SUDDEN DEATH OF YOUNG MOTHER.

THE LATE MRS. CHRISTIE.

The sudden death and interment of the late Mrs. Francis (Nan) Christie, widow of the late Captain Christie of Jardine Matheson and Co., came as a shock. Mrs. Christie was only 31. She was the daughter of the late Mr. C. Mooney who was at one time Secretary of the Hongkong Hotel. Her death at the Victoria Hospital yesterday was attributed to tuberculosis. She leaves an only son, Sidney Cecil, age seven. On account of the short notice of the funeral the attendance of friends at the Protestant Cemetery was not so large as it would otherwise have been. Many beautiful wreaths were received including those from: Asiatic Petroleum Co. Ltd., Asiatic Petroleum Co. (staff), Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Smith, Mr. J. Doyle, Mr. and Mrs. Louis A. Cossart, Mrs. R. White, Mrs. A. Charlton, Mr. and Mrs. F. Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. J. Suiter, Mr. W. A. Butterfield, Mrs. and Miss Abraham, Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Abraham, Mr. G. N. Manley, Misses Abing, Capt. and Mrs. Philip Going, Mr. and Mrs. R. Drude, Mr. and Mrs. C. Mackenzie, Mr. W. Drude, Mrs. M. Mooney, Mr. and Mrs. Green, Miss Lavinia Ezra, Miss Skipton, Miss D. Mackenzie, Mr. and Mrs. H. Gittins, Sgt. and Mrs. Gillard and Gospel Hall.

ARMS IN A HANDBAG.

On June 26, a small posse of constables raided No. 23, Sai Street and in the cockpit of the house discovered a handbag with two magazines, a pistol and 29 rounds of ammunition. As a sequel a Chinese arrested in the house was awarded a years' imprisonment by Mr. Lindell.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

To-day's dollar is worth 3s. 6 7/16d.

To-day's return shows four cases of plague.

Monsieur Locatelli is the new representative for the Pope in Lisbon.

Friends of the Rev. Father Spada of Rosary Church, Kowloon, will be glad to hear that he has almost completely recovered from his recent illness.

Mr. Bostock, proprietor of the circus, arrived in Hongkong yesterday by the "Neleus" in time to see the fine business his company is doing here.

The a.s. "Chipsing" (Capt. E. Tapsell) arrived from Tientsin yesterday with 2,450 tons of cargo for Hongkong. She encountered a S.W. Monsoon en route.

The death is announced in Portugal of Donna Rita Cardosa da Silva, mother of Dr. Sidonio Paes, late President of Portugal who was assassinated some time ago.

The B. and S. a.s. "Liangchow" (Capt. G. Hooker) had four deaths (Chinese) during the voyage from Bangkok to Hongkong. She brought a small mail and 888 tons of cargo.

It is announced that the marriage will take place of Mr. James Steer, jeweller and watchmaker of Hongkong to Miss G. N. Oughton, of Coventry, England, who is en route to Hongkong.

The "Neleus" (Capt. T. R. Evans) arrived from Glasgow yesterday evening. She carried 29 saloon passengers and Iron, machinery, etc. for Hongkong and Northern ports. She also brought 48 bags of mail.

On an application from Mr. E. Davidson two Chinese were remanded on charges of fraudulently obtaining a shipment of intending immigrants from Singapore, and with furnishing false particulars to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs.

Following the receipt of an official telegram from Portugal, His Excellency Senhor. A. Tamagnini Barbosa, will not relinquish the reins of Government to Senhor Santos but will remain in office till the arrival of the new Governor.

News has been received that Lieut. J. F. Reid, Secretary of the Marine Engineers' Guild of China, who has been serving in France with the Labour Corps, left England on June 8 by the a.s. "Atrous" and is due at Shanghai on July 10.

There is a tremendous flag, comprising flags of all the Allies, hanging from the offices of the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha. Strangely enough, seeing this is a British Colony, the Union Jack takes second place, and Stars and stripes taking first place.

The Indo-China s.s. "Koonshing," which left Shanghai for Tientsin on June 14, broke her tail shaft when off the Northeast Promontory on the following day and has been towed into Chefoo where her cargo has been discharged. The vessel is now awaiting one of the company's steamers to tow her down to Shanghai for repairs.

The following candidates have been successful in their examinations for certificates of competency before the Board of Trade, Hongkong, during May—T. Hardon, First-mate, steamship, H. W. Jones, First-mate, steamship, W. H. Lane, River master. During the same month, the following candidates failed to pass—first mates, two; second mates, two and river mates, one.

A few people have spoken to the *China Mail* about the prices charged at the Matinees. They say that the prices of the matinees are not advertised, and at the circus the full prices are charged for a matinee. Those complaining consider the should operate at this circus. Earlier advertisements of the Circus announced half price at matinees for children and military.

Among the passengers who arrived here on the blue Funnel s.s. "Neleus," to-day, are Messrs. Edward Albert Vincent and William Reed two popular members of the Hongkong Police. Reed was amongst one of the first batch to leave here for service, he sailed on November 19, 1915. Vincent left here on March 3, 1917. Both saw much fighting, and are now on 24 hours' leave prior to resuming their duties with the Police force.

The death occurred on October 24, 1918, of Second Lieut. J. S. Langdon, at the base hospital, Calais, after a short attack of influenza. Lieut. Langdon, who was a chief officer in the China Navigation Company, joined H. M. forces soon after the outbreak of war and saw service as a trooper in King Edward's Horse in France and Italy throughout the war without being wounded. Early in 1918 he was given a commission in the R. E. I. W. T. and was home-bound on leave when he contracted influenza.

MR. SOARES AND HIS PURCHASE.

CLUB QUESTION INDEFINITE.

There is a story in the purchase of the property in Duddell St. which comprises the Telephone Co. premises and Mr. G. P. Lammerts' Auction Rooms, which Mr. A. M. L. Soares is buying for \$136,000.

On Wednesday the *China Mail* knew the purchase was being negotiated. A reporter interviewed Mr. Soares who said he was considering the purchase. He would rather wait until the business was completed.

The *China Mail* was obliging—as usual, at its own expense.

Yesterday another paper published the story of the purchase. This morning one of our representatives made his way to Mr. Soares' office.

Mr. Soares assured us that at that moment (11 a.m.) the purchase was not completed and that he was waiting to hear from his solicitors to go along to finish up the business. The purchase is not complete yet and won't be till to-morrow. He said he heard it was being put in the paper yesterday and rang up to endeavour to delay publication until the negotiations.

The reply he received about 2 p.m. was "sorry it's too late to stop it." Mr. Soares was displeased, but what could he do? [Ans. Ring up the *China Mail*, and release it from its promise.]

As stated Mr. Soares is going to offer the property to the Lusitano Club for new premises. The present Lusitano Club is now enclosed in Chinese surroundings, which at one time were European.

Mr. Soares expressed the opinion that the removal of the club to Kowloon is out of the question. If the Club Lusitano do not accept the offer it is Mr. Soares' intention to build big offices in place of the premises that are there now.

CORRESPONDENCE.

J. K. COUNTERS WITH THE LEFT.

[To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."]

Sir,—It may cause a little surprise perhaps, that I should reply to the article "John Kestrel on us," from the bottom. If everybody was to refrain from writing fearing to become unpopular, then mankind would soon revert to its primitive state. Science has attained its present development by the martyrdom of many a teacher. I have never made a bid for popularity, and I doubt very much whether the gentleman who wrote the article ever cared for it. As regards my remark that we may be kind without admitting equality, I wonder if any of us would consider an uneducated coolie as our equal. I am told that head-measurement—craniometry—is out of date. If the writer will refer to Duckworth's "Morphology" and "Anthropology" published in 1904, he would not be so sure. I do admit that I rather take life seriously. "Life is real, life is earnest," you know. The confession that this writer is paid to make an ass of himself, hurts me a little. I have always found the "China Mail" to be a serious paper; unlike "Punch" or "Comic Cuts," and I have known this writer to be very serious and earnest too.

The main portion of "Sun Tanned Ceylonese's" letter is answered in my correspondence of yesterday. He asks me what I mean by a European—do not misquote me Mr. Ceylonese. I never said "an European," refer to your grammar, Sir.—By European, I do mean the people of Europe. Whatever we say, however we argue, we have to admit the fact that at present Europe gives us a bigger proportion of developed intellects than the other parts of the world. I may be referred to America, but the most educated Americans are of European descent. He does not want to argue re the Japanese, not Japs Mr. Ceylonese, as the "subject becomes too limited and personal," but what about his calling me a German—is not that "personal"? After all, I am not sure that he did not get sunstroke during the course of his sun-tanning.

Yours etc.
JOHN KESTREL.

ABUSIVE RICSHA COOLIE.

There are legal five cent fares for rickshas here, but the pullers have been accustomed to expect ten cents for a five cent fare from Europeans. This custom originated less in generosity than in the scarcity of the smaller coin. A coolie who drew Miss Alice Tung of the Government Civil Hospital from the Kowloon wharf to 39 Haiphong Road was abusive when paid five cents. He is really sorry for it now, because Mr. Lindell, the Magistrate, fixed the abuse tariff at about 20 cents a word. Ten dollars or 14 days.

"MICKY."

Somehow, we gleaned from the programme or somewhere that last night was the last chance of seeing "Micky" at the Coronet. Wrong. This splendid picture is showing up till Sunday inclusive.

LOCAL SHARE RIGGING.

MR. RENAL DOESN'T TURN UP.

A month or so ago a few local men were busy with amateur paragraphs to the local newspapers attempting to boost certain local stocks. The *China Mail* quickly realised the game and marked the inspired "news" items w.p.b. We also commented on it.

Other papers followed suit so a new line was started. A morning contemporary had an advertisement which read—

Wanted.—As many possible shares of Hongkong Electric and Kowloon Wharves for investment purposes. Willing to pay cash for best market value, but no brokerage. Other shares are not wanted. Apply to the Undersecretary between 20th and 23rd June, 1919, at any time in the morning. F. P. Renal, Hongkong Hotel.

Enquiry at the Hongkong Hotel on June 20 brought forth the information that Mr. Renal would be a day or two late. Then the same newspaper published another advertisement which was as follows:—

Those who have shares of Hongkong Electric and Kowloon Wharves for me please call at the Hongkong Hotel on the 25th inst. instead of as previously notified.

F. P. RENAL.

A *China Mail* reporter had shares to offer to Mr. Renal but this gentleman was not at the Hongkong Hotel on June 25. He isn't there to-day and we are pretty sure he won't be there at all.

These repeated attempts to boost local shares are more naive than knavish, and have but a poor chance to achieve their purpose.

HAUL OF JEWELLERY.

A SERVANT GIRLS LAPSE.

A servant girl employed by a Chinese woman in Portland Street, Yau-mai, was tempted to steal a quantity of money and jewellery from her mistress's jewel box, to the value of \$1200. The theft was effected by the girl and three accomplices, the girl escaping directly after the haul was made. One of the accomplices took flight and divulged to the Police the hiding place of the jewels, and had his colleagues in crime brought to justice.

Brought before Mr. Hutchison one of the accessories laid the blame on the servant girl.

Hearing was adjourned.

WATCH YOUR CHANGE.

The *China Mail* calls the attention of the Postmaster General to a little matter within his province which we are sure only needs mentioning to be put right.

We refer to what looks like an obvious "squeak" by one or more Shroffs at the G. P. O. That is the giving of Singapore money in change. This morning a gentleman tendered a five dollar note in payment for stamps. Happening to examine his change, which consisted nearly all of 50 cent pieces, he found two Singapore coins, 50 cent pieces.

It is easy to see the benefit accruing to the Shroffs if they can dole out these coins too at a time.

We predict this practice will now come to an abrupt conclusion.

OCTOGENARIAN SAMPAN MASTER AT COURT.

Revenue Officer Clarke, acting on information received recently went on board a sampan and found an automatic pistol with 1000 rounds of ammunition concealed inside a rattan basket. The pistol was identified as one which was stolen from a ship's guard on board the "Hai Hong" in 1918. The octogenarian sampan master was arrested and taken to the station with the contraband goods.

Mr. Leo d'Almada appearing said the man had been born in Hongkong long before the Colony was ceded to Great Britain. He was only one of the ordinary opium carriers.

Mr. Hutchison acquitted the old man on the grounds of insufficient evidence.

RE HEARING A CASE.

Chan Kam, a compounder in the employ of Messrs. A. S. Watson and Company was recently sentenced to six weeks' jail for the larceny of a quantity of pills. Mr. E. Davidson applying to Magistrate Lindell for a re-hearing, this morning said that defendant was unrepresented in the previous hearing, and that this was a case requiring legal assistance. The application was granted, re-hearing being adjourned till Monday, bail \$500.

SAFE, SURE, ALWAYS CURES.

Do not suffer from cramp colic or pain in the stomach when Cham-bain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy goes to the right spot and gives immediate relief. You cannot afford to be without it. If you are subject to attacks of this kind, for sale by All Chemists and Storekeepers.

HONGKONG INDUSTRY THREATENED.

SERIOUS POSITION OF KNITTING FACTORIES.

POSSIBLE EXTINCTION OR REMOVAL.

The China Mail's attention has been called to the serious position of a Hongkong industry, cotton knitting, which condition is due to a number of reasons. A representative of this paper made enquiries from managers of the leading factories.

It appears that until very recently there were nine knitting companies in Hongkong, besides which there are a number of smaller concerns. Of the nine companies three failed recently, the last being the well-known Wei Sun Knitting Co. of Causeway Bay. Other recent failures are the Sun Wai Tai Knitting Co. of Kowloon and the Ka Tai Knitting Factory, Wanchai. These companies closed their doors on account of heavy losses on working.

The manager of a reputable company said to our representative: "The position is serious. We have many difficulties to contend with. First there is the high exchange. That permits the Japanese to sell here and undercut us in price. If the exchange were lower we should be helped to that extent and from elsewhere where there is a fixed currency we should receive more dollars for our manufactures. Our single socks, jerseys, etc., enjoy much popularity in China, the Straits, Java and as far away as India. But we cannot sell so cheaply as the Japanese. For this there are several reasons:

1. Japanese competition.
2. Dearness of yarn and freight.
3. Working expenses.

The first has been explained except that it may be added that the Japanese receive more consideration from their government and utility companies.

As regards 2, the Japanese have cotton mills on the spot and buy their yarn almost at their door. We have to import from Shanghai, India, England and America, a most expensive business in these times.

As regards 3 there is the question of costs, principally rents, food, wages and electric current. In a large degree the first three go together. We employ nearly 1,000 work people who live near the factory. When our factory started rents were cheap and our men were able to get a cheap house. As our business grew in size and age the landlords began to increase the rents. What used to cost \$10 now costs \$20. Naturally with more rent to pay our people require more wages. This common rice has gone up from \$5 to \$14 a picul. Best quality now costs \$16 whereas it cost 88 some time ago. Therefore, with food and rent up 100 per cent, the people must have more pay. It makes it very hard to keep the business going.

Another thing that costs so much more here than elsewhere is the electric current which works our machines. In Shanghai the knitting companies pay eight cash a unit, in Japan one and a half sen, in Hongkong five cents and in Kowloon 7 1/2 cents. So you can easily see why our electric current expenses are in comparison with Shanghai and Japanese companies. It is too expensive by far. One company installed its own plant and saved money by it.

About seven years ago there was the Hongkong Spinning and Dyeing Company here but the company sold its spindles to Shanghai. Then it sold its building, and after that liquidated. Since then more knitting is done in Hongkong but it is unlikely that another spinning company will commence operations here. What is wanted to save the knitting companies is some safeguard against further increases in rents, cheaper food and cheap current. These are almost a necessity to ensure the industry carrying on in Hongkong.

Another complaint of the companies is the attempted vexatious restrictions to be imposed on factories. One manager told our representative that he was informed that very few factories work under the bad conditions which brought about the Sanitary Board rules, and naturally ask why these factories were not pressed to reform. He complains that under the rules inspectors who do not understand will be at liberty to harass the staff of the factories.

This informant concluded by saying that any further burdens can only spell one of two things, removal to Shanghai or extinction. In any case it would be the loss of an industry to Hongkong.

BOWEL COMPLAINT IN CHILDREN.

DURING the summer months mothers should watch for any unusual looseness of the child's bowels. When given prompt attention at this time serious trouble may be avoided. Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy can always be depended upon. For sale by all chemists and druggists.

FUTURE OF NATIVE RACES.

INDEFINITE CLAUSES IN LEAGUE COVENANT.

London, Thursday. What should be done to safeguard the native races in the peace settlement was the most urgent subject discussed at the annual meeting of the Aborigines' Protection Society in the Central Hall, Westminster.

It is claimed that this Society, which Sir Harry Johnston has described as an insurance society for the native races, has done much by its propaganda to secure better protection for native races which come within the supervision of the League of Nations.

The Chairman, Sir Victor Buxton, pointed out that the revised draft of the League of Nations contains more definite safeguards for the natives than the original draft. It would be the business of the friends of the natives to urge that the principles of the League Covenant be applied to all native territories, and not only to the territories which came under the mandatory powers.

A resolution was moved by Lord Henry Bunsick which recalled the Prime Minister's promise at New Castle that the wishes and interests of the native inhabitants would be the dominating factor in settling the future of the German colonies. The resolution condemned any attempt to exert pressure upon native chiefs and tribes in favour of any particular mandatory. This should disqualify those exercising such pressure from receiving mandatory authority.

Lord Henry Bunsick remarked that the official declarations made during the war by our statesmen on the native question were all that could be desired, but there appeared to be some hesitancy in putting them into operation now that the war was over. We had had a warning in India and Egypt. We could not govern India by Rowland Atter or Egypt by aeroplane and flying columns.

PRESIDENT WILSON'S DECLARATION. Another resolution put forward the proposal that there shall be an International Conference of the Powers to work out a scheme for protecting the welfare of the natives in tropical and sub-tropical territories. To this Conference accredited representatives of native races, appointed independently by local administration, should be appointed.

This was moved by Sir Sidney Olivier, who quoted with approval the famous declaration of President Wilson on the protection of the native races from exploitation. Our own statesmen had so tied themselves up into knots and electoral promises that it was now very difficult for them to get out and make a plain statement of high principles like President Wilson's, although this would really be in consonance with the feeling and conscience of this country. The clauses relating to natives in the latest draft of the League of Nations were too indefinite, and must be made much more precise. It was not enough, for instance, merely to prohibit slave trading. Whatever conditions were laid down for the territories under the mandatory must be extended to apply to the British Colonies as well.

It was pointed out by Mr. H. W. Nevins, who moved a resolution on the subject, that slavery still exists in German East Africa and in Portuguese West Africa. It was understood, he said, that the former colony was to be handed over to Great Britain as mandatory, and it was already under the control of British officials. There were at least 150,000, and probably 180,000, slaves in the country, who could be liberated at the cost of about five hours of the recent war. The supply of these slaves was still being maintained from other parts of Africa by the old methods of trading.

THE RHODESIAN LANDS.

Sir Victor Buxton discussed the Rhodesian land question, and said that the result of the recent Privy Council judgment was that the Lipper title to the unalienated land was now vested in the British Crown as trustee for the native inhabitants. It was now for the Government to see that the principle of trusteeship was put into operation, and to give the natives adequate tenure for the land. "We have," he said, "waited upon Lord Milner within the last few days, who received us most sympathetically. We realise how much he is hampered by action already taken by the Colonial Office. But whatever he may be able to do or not to do, we feel confident that the native case is having his most sympathetic attention."

Mr. John Harris, the organising secretary of the Society, mentioned that the Society had incurred an expense of over £7,000 in preparing the natives' case for the Judicial Committee, and he thought there were strong reasons why this should be treated as a public charge. The Society was in communication with the Government on the land question and the costs of the inquiry, and feeling any satisfaction being given would appeal to Parliament and the people.

GARRISON TENNIS LEAGUE.

R.A.O.C. v. R.A.M.C. "B."

The R.A.O.C. won this match in easy fashion at Happy Valley yesterday, the margin being 41 games. Scores:—

Cokney, Coles and Rev. Bandle, R.A.O.C., beat Sgt. Pitt and Corp. Horrocks, 7-2; beat Pres. Palmer and Cresdee, 8-1; beat Corp. Ricks and Pte. Roberts, 7-2. Captain Mann and Staff Sergeant Prior, R.A.O.C., beat Pitt and Horrocks, 8-1; beat Palmer and Cresdee, 7-2; beat Ricks and Roberts, 8-1.

Staff Sergeant Gibbons and Houghton, R.A.O.C., beat Pitt and Horrocks, 6-3; beat Palmer and Cresdee, 5-4; beat Ricks and Roberts, 6-1.

Totals: R.A.O.C., 62 games; R.A.M.C. "B.", 10 games.

CRAIGENGOWER v. K.C.C. "B."

Craigengower and K.C.C. "B" contested a Hongkong tennis league match on the Craigengower courts yesterday. The K.C.C. brought two pairs only so the match was left uncompleted and will be finished on Saturday.

88 COY. R.G.A. "B" v. 88 COY. R.G.A. "B."

Played at Lyman yesterday and won by No. 88 Coy. R.G.A. by 15 games. Scores:—

Serge. Hasling and Mr. Baines, No. 88 Coy., beat Gns. Winterton and Newham, 8-1; lost to Q.M.S. White and C.Q.M.S. Clarke, 1-5; lost to Sgt. Lacey and Mr. Middleton, 2-7. (Gns. Horsfall and Sandell, No. 88 Coy., beat White and Clarke, 7-2; lost to Lacey and Middleton, 1-5. Cpl. Taylor and Mr. Moss, No. 88 Coy., beat White and Clarke, 7-2; lost to Lacey and Middleton, 2-7.

Totals: No. 88 Coy. R.G.A., 48 games; No. 88 Coy. R.G.A., 33 games.

HONGKONG TENNIS LEAGUE.

C.R.C. v. R.E.

Played on the C.R.C. ground, Causeway Bay, on Wednesday afternoon, the above league match resulted in a win for the home team by 37 games. Scores:—

Wong Po Keng and Chou Man Hing (C.R.C.) beat Raworth and Taylor, 7-4; beat Townsend and Millard, 6-3; beat Heath and Pascall, 9-2.

Wong Po Kie and Lo man Pan (C.R.C.) beat Raworth and Taylor, 7-4; beat Townsend and Millard, 6-3; beat Heath and Pascall, 9-2. Totals: C.R.C., 68 games; R.E., 31 games.

COLLIERY MANAGERS AND THE COAL COMMISSION.

A "VILE SLANDER."

The following resolution was sent to the Prime Minister, Mr. Justice Sankey, and members of the Coal Commission from the South Wales colliery managers:—

"That this annual meeting strongly renews the statement made by Sidney Webb before the Coal Commission, viz., that it is considered cheaper to pay compensation rather than to provide for safety. We consider this statement implies a vile slander on the colliery managers of our country, and that we ask him to substantiate or withdraw his statement."

The China Mail, from information received, is inclined to repeat and reaffirm the "vile slander," and to couple with it the Railway proprietors. It has been the case for years, as Government Inspectors of Mines testify, that colliery and mine proprietors have begrudged expenditure on safety appliances.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

J.K.—(1)

"At the Back of the Black Man's Mind," by R. E. Dennett. (2) "Elegende blätter von Schwarzen," by T. Wright. (3) "A Tropical Dependency," by Flora Shaw (Lady Lugard).

T.G.—The Peace Treaty was sure to be signed daily by the local rumormongers. The large number of signatures required to ensure full representation involves much examination of credentials, by a committee, and must take time.

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CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

THE FORGERY CASE.

CHINESE LADY DISCHARGED.

Before the Chief Justice (Sir William Rees-Davies, K.C.) and a Jury composed of Messrs. W. L. E. Weaser (foreman), A. W. Juster, L. O. Nagel, J. Hyde, L. E. dos Remedios, A. Dransfield and J. H. Congdon in the Supreme Court yesterday afternoon, the hearing was concluded in the forgery case in which a well-dressed Chinese lady named Leung Wai Cheng is charged, in eight counts, with forgery of certain deeds on various dates last year. The charges are separated into three parts (1) forgery on June 3, 1918, of a deed in connection with a piece of land known as Marine Lot No. 187; (2) forgery on June 18, 1918, of a power of attorney, and (3) forgery on June 19, 1918, of a mortgage deed.

The Hon. Mr. E. E. Pollock, K.C. (Acting Attorney-General) prosecuted whilst Mr. Edson Potter was for the defence. Mr. Pollock having closed the prosecution before the adjournment, Mr. Potter opened the defence after the fifth hour and submitted that the person who accompanied the prisoner to the office of Messrs. d'Almada and Mascari in regard to the two mortgages was in reality the complainant, and not, as the prosecution alleged, a third and unknown lady introduced by the prisoner.

Three of the witnesses for the Crown have given evidence distinctly in favour of the prisoner. Mr. F. X. d'Almada had stated that, despite his clerk's statement to the contrary, his opinion was that it was the complainant who accompanied the prisoner to his office when the two mortgages in question were put through.

Counsel submitted that it was not possible for any Jury, on the evidence tendered by the Crown, to convict the prisoner on the charges preferred against her. The witnesses for the prosecution have, if anything, proved the prisoner's innocence and certainly not her guilt.

At this juncture, Mr. Pollock intimated that he was prepared to drop all the charges, except Nos. 7 and 8, and leave it to the Jury to decide whether the prisoner is guilty or not.

Mr. Potter protested strongly against the change of front by the prosecution and submitted that the Crown must stand or fall by the whole of the charges. Had he known that the Crown was going to drop six of the eight charges in the indictment, he would have had something to say about it.

His Lordship remarked that if the Jury found the prisoner not guilty of forgery, they would probably find her not guilty of the last two charges.

After the summing up by his Lordship, the Jury, after ten minutes' deliberation, brought in a unanimous verdict of "not guilty" on all charges.

His Lordship accordingly discharged the prisoner.

The Sessions is adjourned until Monday when the case against James MacBean Tullock, a sergeant of the Police, now suspended from service, who is charged with committing an indecent assault on a 19-year-old Chinese girl will be heard.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENT.

NOTICE.

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"Chinhua."

Mr. H. Anderton, chief officer,
"Sigan," has gone chief officer,
Yunnan.

Captain E. B. Jones, of the "Sigan,"
has gone master, "Ichang."

Captain J. Meathrel, from reserve,
has gone master, "Chungking." Mr.
T. G. Beer, acting master, "Chung-
king," is on leave.

Mr. C. C. Nielsen, from reserve,
has gone chief officer, "Woosung."
Mr. W. F. Sheel, chief officer,
"Woosung," is on leave.

Mr. W. J. Larier, from reserve, has
gone second officer, "Kanchow."
Mr. J. Symington, chief engineer,
"Ngankin," has gone chief engineer,
"Hoibow."

Mr. J. Henderson, chief engineer,
"Hoibow," has gone chief engineer,
"Ngankin."

Mr. J. McKechine, chief engineer,
"Siantan," has gone chief engineer,
"Chinkiang."

Mr. R. Thorburn, chief engineer,
"Chinkiang," has gone chief engi-
neer, "Siantan."

Mr. W. Hudson, second officer,
"Chusan," has resigned.

Mr. A. Walker, second officer,
"Namsang," has gone second officer,
"Fooksang."

Mr. W. J. Booker, chief officer,
"Chusan," has gone acting master,
same ship.

Mr. J. R. Doughty, from reserve,
has gone chief officer, "Chusanang."
Mr. J. M. Sturgeon, second officer,
"Fooksang," has gone second officer,
"Chusanang."

Mr. E. H. Laurence, from reserve,
has gone chief officer, "Fausang."
Mr. J. V. Simpson, chief officer,
"Taksang," is on reserve.

Mr. D. R. Kilbee, from reserve,
has gone chief officer, "Taksang."
Mr. J. Walsh, supernumerary chief
officer, "Mausang," has gone second
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Mr. J. W. Pettigrew, chief officer,
"Fausang," has gone chief officer,
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Mr. A. Cretkol, third engineer,
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Mr. C. Pedersen, from reserve, has
gone third engineer, "Hsinming."

Mr. A. Labovetsky, chief officer,
"Asia," has gone master, "Wahon."
Captain E. B. Green, of the "Wahon,"
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Mr. T. Koshamakon has been
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Mr. A. Raab, second officer, "Hwah
Tah," has gone master, barque "Shin
Pu."

Mr. J. S. Wilson, chief officer,
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Mr. W. L. Chapman has been ap-
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W. H. Lane, chief officer, "Chunchoh,"
has gone master, "Wingon."

Captain W. Jones, of the "Vulcan,"
is on leave.

Captain W. C. Youngs, chief officer,
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audience assembled at the Friends'
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many ladies from Girton and New-
ham, only three of whom, however,
stayed to the end. Just as the
proceedings were about to begin a
large crowd of undergraduates and
naval and military officers arrived
upon the scene and took charge of
affairs. Those who had been an-
nounced as the chief speakers, scent-
ing trouble, attempted to escape, but
were not allowed to do so. Instead,
each was made to speak in turn of
his war record, which caused much
amusement. Even the presence of a
Proctor and the police made no
difference. Three of the speakers
were then made to stand on a
table and sing "God Save the
King," after which they were con-
ducted to the riverside and forcibly
ducked in the Cam, rather a
risky proceeding considering the
flooded state of the
river. The crowd then attempted to
wreck the shop run by "The Cam-
bridge Magazine," and, despite the
fact that the shutters were up, a
number of windows were broken.
Recently two members of the Univer-
sity had their heads shaved, on the
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and now comes a memorial from over
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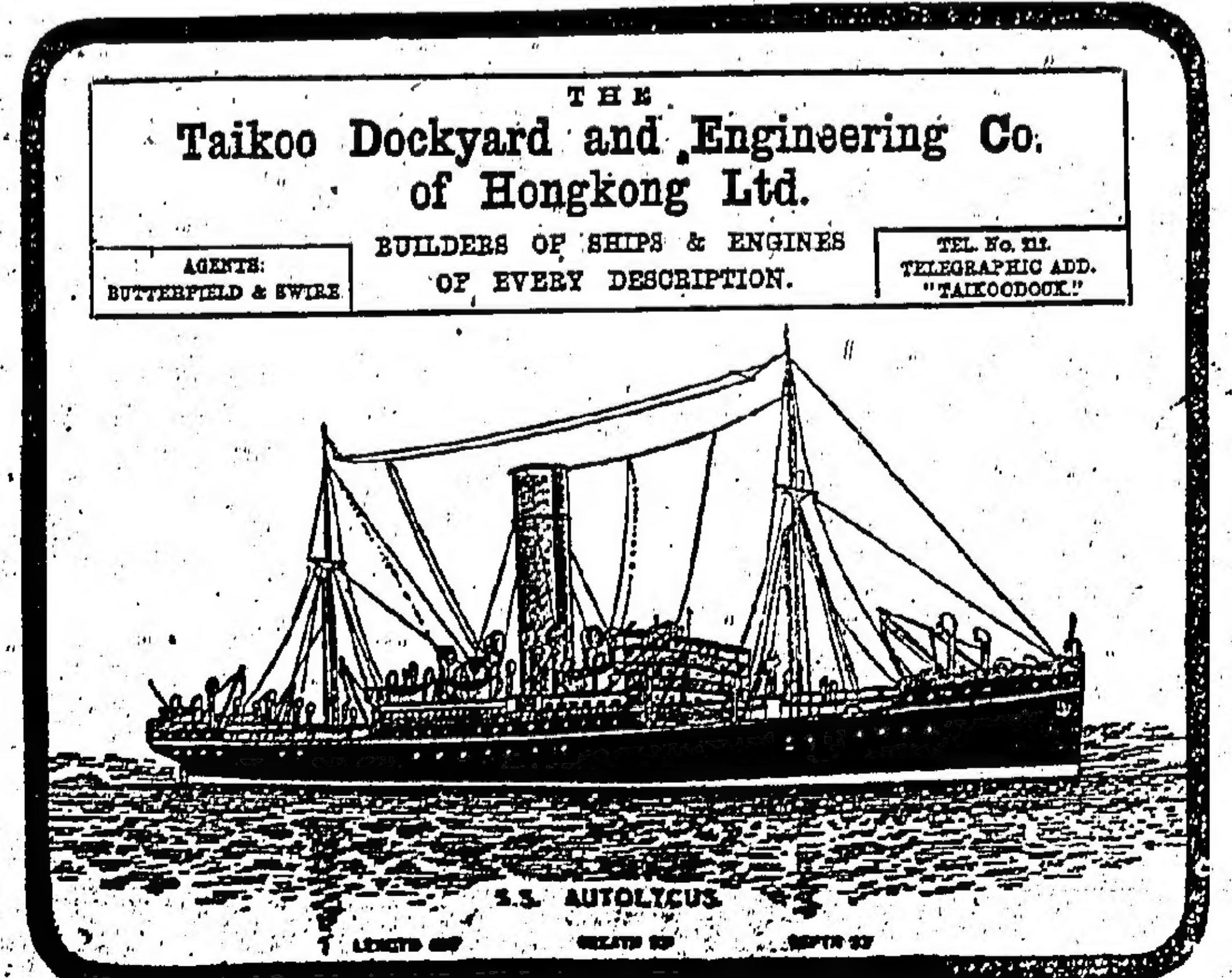
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THE RICE SHORTAGE.

From all quarters comes evidence that the failure of last year's monsoon in India has produced a very serious position, says the *Rangoon Times* of the 6th June. We have in Burma a supply of rice for export which, unfortunately, is less than was forecasted, the diminution being due partly to the paddy threatening rot and partly to a lessened production. The question of fertilisers for paddy lands will have to be seriously faced before long, as in some districts the soil needs nourishment which it does not receive. Against that is to be put the greatly increased yield of the improved strains of paddy distributed by the Agricultural Department which is likely to be a more valuable asset in the near future. Meanwhile Burma has to do the best with what it now possesses, and the demand upon the exportable surplus is steadily increasing. Bombay which was the worst sufferer, has to be supplied with the regular consignments. Madras is in the case, and Colombo would gladly buy much more than is allotted. Upon the top of this demand comes the news from Bengal and Assam, where the supplies of rice for the coolies working in the tea gardens and estates have become a very serious question for the employers. They are petitioning their Governments to secure larger supplies of rice from Burma without delay and are apparently willing to pay well for it. The reduction of freights to Indian ports is welcome, though it has been far too long in the making, and its piecemeal character has irritated the market. Bombay rates have been reduced from Rs. 50 to Rs. 40 then to Rs. 30 and now to Rs. 24, as compared with Rs. 9 before the war. The Shipping Controller mentions that he has consulted the shipping companies concerned, which seems at variance with their statement that they make nothing out of freights on controlled ships. Why should he consult them if they were not concerned?

Outside of India the position is even worse. The Malay States are crying out for rice and are endeavouring to get more ground set apart on each estate for growing paddy so that the demand upon Burma may be lessened. The measure, however, will be of little avail for the needs of the moment. Control and fixation of prices are inevitable. Meanwhile equal quantities of local and Burmese rice have to be sold together, and prosecutions for infringement of the regulations are frequent. As for the Dutch East Indies, they are in great need of rice, but their chances of getting supplies in full

are very small, as British needs must be considered first. Siam is enjoying a good harvest, but the prices offered by Japan and elsewhere are so tempting that the quantity needed for home consumption is endangered, and already prices have gone up so high that Government interference is almost certain in order to ensure a sufficient supply for the Siamese themselves. A similar tendency may occasionally be observed in Burma, but the control prices are not such as to cause a draining of the staple for export.

Much has been talked of the possibilities of Mesopotamia as a likely source of supply of cereals, but unless our information is quite wrong we believe that the Garden of Eden will prove more suitable for wheat than for paddy, and that no serious competition may be expected from that quarter. The probabilities of the future are not easy to discern. A good monsoon in India this year would mean not only a plentiful supply but a great relief to the Government, who have had to face a shortage of food grains (with high prices) at the same time as a rise in exchange and a frontier war which, though it may speedily come to an end, must materially alter Sir James Meston's Budget figures. There is reason to believe, however, that a range of high prices for food grain is probable all the world over, and Burma's cultivators will be well advised to plant extensively and to do everything to increase the supply of the Province's most important staple for next year's market.

ENEMY HORSES BARRED.

Lord Jersey, at a meeting of the Jockey Club, referred to correspondence which had been received by the Stewards from the Belgian Jockey Club, and he gave notice that at an early date he would move the following resolution:

That it be an instruction to the registry office that until further notice no entries for races under Jockey Club rules be accepted for horses the property of any persons being German, Austrian, Hungarian, Bulgarian, or Turkish subjects, or in which such persons have any interest whatsoever. Also, that should any application for admission to the stud-book of horses the property of such persons, or bred in or imported from these countries, be received by Messrs. Weatherly, they be requested to give special consideration to the circumstances under which horses have been stolen from Belgian owners and the doubt which must prevail as to the genuineness of any certificates received from Germany.

HERIZOG ON HIS MISSION.

THE NATIONALIST CLAIM TO INDEPENDENCE.

A correspondent of the *Manchester Guardian* wrote on May 2:

I have had a long talk with General Hertzog, who is the head of the South African deputation recently arrived in London. He declared to me that he wished to hide nothing as regards his intentions. On the contrary, it was his desire that the aims of the South African Nationalist party should be put plainly and fully before the British public.

In the following summary of what he said I have used General Hertzog's own words:

The object of our mission to England is, in the first instance, to obtain the repudiation of the injustice which was done to the Orange Free State and to the Transvaal in 1902, when we were deprived of our freedom, and our independence. The advocacy of independence for the other parts of South Africa is a matter of secondary concern. It is certainly desirable and we are ready to discuss it also with the British Government. But our main concern is the restoration of independence to the Free State and the Transvaal. Today the principle of restitution has been accepted by the World-Boers, and we therefore ask that our independence be given back to us. We have been delegated by the Nationalist party. Our mission consists of two delegates for each of the provinces of the Transvaal, the Orange Free State, Natal, and the Cape. We have been supported in our mission by the fact that since our departure the Provincial Council of the Orange Free State have adopted, unanimously but for one vote, a resolution claiming the complete independence of the Orange Free State. The Provincial Council is elected on the same basis as the members of Parliament. All its members but two are Nationalists, and of the two exceptions one, who by the way is an Englishman, has evidently voted with the Nationalists.

The Nationalist party came into existence in the middle of 1913 as a protest against the Imperialistic policy of General Botha and his Government. The main principle of the Nationalist programme has been, from the very beginning, that it is the duty of the Government to find the rights of the people that in the consideration of any problem in which South Africa is involved the interests of South Africa should be the deciding factor. This principle, of course, stood in direct opposition to the policy now as always pursued

and proclaimed by the Imperialists in South Africa—viz. that in all questions existing between England and South Africa the interests of the Empire must override those of South Africa.

Events since 1908 have convinced us that the national policy is not and cannot be carried out consistently as long as South Africa remains under the British flag, and our so-called self-government has clearly proved itself to be a sham. As reasons why no national policy can be consistently carried out while we remain in our present position of dependence the following may be mentioned. First there is the allegation by the Imperialists, supported by General Botha and his Government, that our self-government is of the nature of a mere conditional grant, and that it can be withdrawn at any time if the British Parliament so desires, or if it is exercised in a manner contrary to the will of the British people. The disadvantages to our national interests of such a state of affairs, if correct, are obvious. Those who are charged with the duties of government are as likely, under such circumstances, to keep their eye on what may be considered the wishes of the British Government, as they would be to look after the true interests of South Africa. The weaker your Government, the more will they be likely to be under the influence of British Ministers, while individual members on the look-out for honours or other distinctions or favours from Great Britain will be found very loth to advocate any measure which might dissatisfy British Ministers, however much the interests of South Africa may demand it. Such a conditional grant, therefore, of self-government, if the theory of these gentlemen be correct, is no less pernicious to the so-called self-governing colony than the appointment of a judiciary removable at the pleasure of the Government.

Then this so-called self-government scope the moment it comes to the question of war or peace; the moment England becomes involved in a war we are automatically dragged into it, as has just been the case. As it is with war, so it is with peace—we may be consulted with regard to the terms of peace, but the decisive voice we have not got; that belongs to England.

There is another reason of capital importance why we demand independence in the interests of South Africa. It cannot be doubted that, on the whole, English-speaking people in South Africa, consciously and unconsciously, adopt an air of superiority over the older population, which is a source of constant friction, annoyance, and quarrel. This

has been exhibited over and over again during the last four years, and has more than once resulted in violence. The cause of this air of superiority, it is clear beyond all dispute, lies in the fact of our subjection to Great Britain. Because of the subjection the average Englishman in South Africa is inspired by the feeling that he belongs to the dominant race, and his conduct comes in consequence very often one of aggression, and he assumes to himself rights and privileges which he denies to the other population.

It is alleged that there exists in South Africa strong racial hatred, and it is always sought to charge the Dutch-speaking with being the racialists. This is entirely untrue. As far as the Dutch are concerned there is no racial hatred as all against the English. If there be racialism in South Africa the Englishmen, certainly cannot claim to be the lesser of the two aggressors; but except for the conduct of Englishmen against the older population, inspired by their feeling of superiority, and the friction which arises therefrom, I know of nothing that can be interpreted as proof of racialism. True, there is strong political antagonism between the two races on the whole; an antagonism which has often given rise to political enmity, but here again there is nothing that justifies anybody speaking of racialism.

If we fall in our mission with the British Government we shall proceed to Paris and submit our case to the Peace Conference. Afterwards we shall go home and press our campaign for independence. It is absurd to say, as has been done, that our action must unavoidably lead to open rebellion. It is our intention to use only constitutional means to obtain our end, and there can be no question of rebellion.

MRS. VERNON CASTLE TO MARRY.

The *Evening Sun* announces that it is in a position to confirm the report that Mrs. Irene Castle, widow of Captain Vernon Castle, the well-known aviator, is engaged to be married to Mr. Robert E. Treman, of Ithaca, formerly a captain in the Air Force, and son of Mr. Robert H. Treman, the banker.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Castle were well-known dancers before the war.—*Central News.*

[As dancers before the war Mr. and Mrs. Castle were said to be earning \$1,000 a week. Mr. Vernon Castle, who was a British subject, joined the R.F.C. He lost his life at a Texas aerodrome trying to save a pupil from disaster. Mrs. Vernon Castle is well known also as a star film actress.]

MARINE COURT.

(BEFORE CAPTAIN BASIL TAYLOR, R.N.)

A GOOD EXCUSE.

Cheung Ngan Wo, master of Trading Junk T 4,003, was charged this morning with being anchored in a prohibited area. Defendant pleaded through an interpreter that it was his first appearance in Hongkong and he didn't know the rules or the language. Defendant who spoke the Fukien dialect thus gained Captain Taylor's sympathy and was discharged.

AND NO EXCUSE.

Mr. C. J. Thomson also prosecuted Leung Fu with a similar offence. In this case defendant hadn't a good excuse and was fined \$15 or five weeks in jail. He preferred to pay the fine.

THIRD APPEARANCE \$5.

After two adjournments a coolie appeared for the third time, charged with being on board the s.s. Prosper. The defendant did not prosper, as the result of his visit to the ship being fined \$5 or 14 days in jail. Defendant hadn't as much as five cents. He is now in Victoria Jail.

SHIPPING COMPANY RESULTS.

THE CLAN LINE.

The directors of the Clan Line Steamers, Ltd., have decided to recommend the payment of a final dividend of 15s per share on the ordinary shares for the year ending 31st December, 1918, carrying forward a balance of £47,180 5s 9d to next year.

BONNIE DUNDEE AND HONGKONG.

A reunion of Dundee men who served in the Hongkong Police, but later returned to join the army, was presided over by ex-Chief Inspector Gourlay. The men invited a large number of friends to the function, which took the form of a supper and dance. Gratification was expressed that all the men present who had come home to serve had gone through the war without injury, and it was announced that they intended to rejoin the force at Hongkong.

IN MEMORIAM.

"Why have you tied a string on your finger?"
"My wife tied it on this morning to remind me that I had a letter to post for her."
"Oh! and I suppose you have posted it?"
"No, she forgot to give it to me."

WEATHER REPORT.

June 27. 121. 43m. Telegraphic communication with Hongkong has been interrupted since 5 p.m. yesterday. Owing to the lack of telegraphic returns, no summary of pressure distribution can be given and no weather map will be issued.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 2.60 inch. Total since January 1st 24.84 inches, against an average of 27.38 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on the 28th.

1.—Hongkong to Gap Rock, S.E. or variable winds, moderate to fair.
2.—Victoria Harbour, None.
3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamock, None.
4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan, None.

O. W. Jarrams, Chief Assistant.
Hongkong Observatory, June 27, 1919.

HONGKONG TIDES.

The tide-table given below has been compiled at the National Almanac Office in London from the result of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui during the years 1916-17.

The zero of the table corresponds with the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty Chart, which has been found to be 4.2 feet 3 inches below mean sea-level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 3 feet 4 inches, and on the gauge at Lamport Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet 4 inches to the height given in the table.

June 27 to July 3, 1919.

Time of Day	High Water	Low Water	Time of Day	High Water	Low Water
1st	5.15	1.15	2nd	5.15	1.15
2nd	5.15	1.15	3rd	5.15	1.15
3rd	5.15	1.15	4th	5.15	1.15
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1st	5.15	1.15	2nd	5.15	1.15

HONGKONG REGISTER.

Period	On day at 1 p.m.	On day at 4 p.m.	On day at 7 p.m.
Barometer	29.62	29.65	29.65
Temperature	81	81	83
Humidity	66	91	65
Direction of Wind	8	calm	8
Force	3	0	3
Weather	0.00	0.00	0.00
Rain	0.00	0.00	0.00

Height open air temperature on the 27th-28th 1919. T. F. CLARKE, Director.
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COMMERCIAL MISSIONS.

TEXTILE EXPERTS AND THE FAR EAST.

An important meeting of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce was held on May 8, when the question of sending out a commission of experts connected with the cotton trade to the Far East was discussed.

The matter was raised in the House of Commons earlier in the week, and the proposal is already creating considerable interest in other industries.

The intention, so far as unofficial information is obtainable, is to send a commission of experts to study the conditions in Japan, India and China. If the scheme is adopted the intention is that this particular business commission should travel under Government auspices.

On May 8 the Cotton Conference unanimously urged the Government to take immediate steps to appoint a textile commercial mission from Lancashire to visit the Far East to study the export position and the extension of the cotton trade.

DUTCH SHIPPING AND THE BLACK LIST.

A very pretty squabble is said to be in progress between the Admiralty and the Board of Trade concerning black-listed vessels in Holland.

Although there is such an intense demand for tonnage, it is asserted that considerably over 100,000 tons of Dutch shipping is lying idle because the Admiralty still refuses to acknowledge the official suspension of the Black List, as announced by the Board of Trade. In consequence a good deal of friction has arisen, and those interested would like to know what motive is guiding the Admiralty in their attitude.

MERCANTILE MARINE AND WAR BONUSES.

In the House of Commons, on May 8, Dr. Donald asked the Secretary to the Admiralty if, in view of the fact that bonuses had been awarded to the Navy and Army, he could see his way to recommend a similar recognition of service to the Mercantile Marine.

Mr. Bridgeman, who replied, said that war bonuses had been paid to merchant seamen during the war, and were still being paid to merchant seamen who were serving in the Mercantile Marine.

WHEN KISSES WERE WAGES.

THE SHY PERFORMERS OF AN ANCIENT RITE.

The Hungerford correspondent of a home paper writing on April 29 said: Kisses and trout and hot punch: there's a fine trio to make a festival! They are the ingredients of Hock tide held here to day.

What's kissing to do with trout and hot punch? Well, that goes back a bit before my time—but you know what these anglers are.

John o' Gaunt began it when he gave the town and liberty of Hungerford the "Riall fishing," as he called it. In the Kennet and the Dun, where, as Evelyn will tell you, some of the finest trout in England swim. That made the free suitors of the town, with their coffees so rich that they soon governed all Hungerford and had their tipstaffs to arrest unmanly varlets.

But the tipstaffs had no wages till they had served, like Jacob for Rachel. Then they reaped a royal reward—a kiss from each maid (and maids are winsome in Hungerford) and a penny from each free suitor. That is why they are called kissing, or taxing, men, which Berks folk call tutti men to-day.

They hardly ever tip a staff nowadays; but Mr. Jacob and Mr. Hedger, the two bank managers, who have been tutti men this past year, had their right to their reward. Mr. Hedger was shy, though, and sent his caretaker.

DECKED WITH POSIES.

Their staffs decked with posies, these meretricious fellows collected lots of pennies. But whether they kissed the maids; and whether the maids were coy, or giggled and let them—well, it wouldn't be fair to tell, would it?

Besides, they discreetly shut the doors behind them.

All this while Hock-tide Court was electing its new constable to succeed Mr. Alexander, who has served since war began: a busy man, who is mayor and coroner, escheator and feodary and clerk of the market, too. Also they chose a portreeve and a hayward and a water bailiff, to say nothing of the two ale tasters, who, it was hoped, would soon have ale they could taste.

There was a feeling that the two new tutti men to be chosen on Friday should be returned warriors who, this four years of war-time, have never been kissed—not a word of Jeanne at the estaminet!—so Mr. Mumford and Mr. Gresham sprightly young ex-soldiers both, are strong favourites.

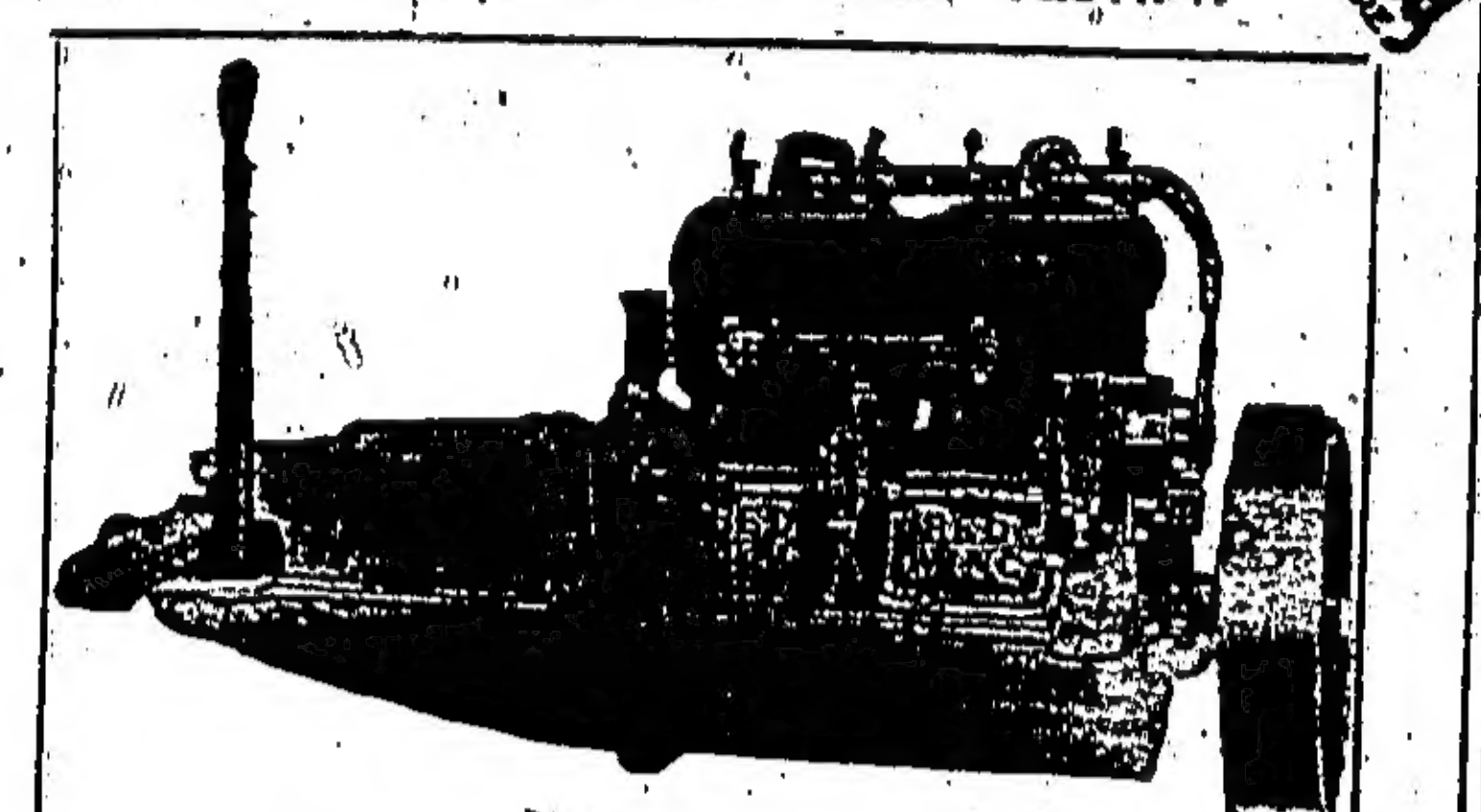
The solemn court over, and the last sibilant kiss silenced, the free suitors adjourned to a good old mid-day dinner in a good old tavern. And that is where the hot punch comes in.

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MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The C.P.O.S. Co's R.M.S. *Empress of Russia* arrived at Kobe on June 25, left there June 26, and is due at Yokohama on June 27.

The C.P.O.S. Co's R.M.S. *Montevideo* from Vladivostok arrived at Vancouver on June 26.

The C.P.O.S. Co's R.M.S. *Methven* from Hongkong on May 23, arrived at Vancouver on June 12.

The N.Y.K. Co's *Ramon Maru* (Calcutta line) left Moji for this port on the 28th June, and is expected here on the 1st July.

The N.Y.K. Co's *Kaiyoku Maru* (Bombay line) left Bombay for this port via Singapore on the 28th June, and is expected here on the 16th July.

Latest Advice.

The T.E.K. Co's *Kiyo Maru* left Moji June 24 and is due at this Port June 25, a.m.

The N.Y.K. Co's *Tanaka Maru* (European line) left Kobe for this port via Moji and Shanghai on the 24th June, and is expected here on the 3rd July.

The N.Y.K. Co's *Shinyu Maru* (Bombay line) left Kobe for this port via Moji on the 28th June, and is expected here on the 14th July.

The N.Y.K. Co's *Kama Maru* (European line) left London for this port via Suez Canal on the 14th June, and is expected here on the 20th July.

The C.P.O.S. Co's R.M.S. *Empress of Asia* arrived at Yokohama on June 21, and is due at Vancouver on June 30.

The Admiral Line's *West Bhamhani* is due to arrive here from Shanghai via Manila on or about July 1.

The N.Y.K. Co's *Katori Maru* (American line) arrived at Yokohama on the 18th June, and is expected here on the 2nd July.

The T.E.K. Co's *Nippon Maru* arrived at Yokohama 18th June and will sail 22nd June, as per schedule, being due at this Port 30th June.

The P.M.S. Co's *San Francisco* left San Francisco on May 21.

The T.E.K. Co's *Tenyo Maru* sailed from San Francisco June 11, as per schedule, and is due to arrive at Hongkong July 14.

The N.Y.K. Co's *Yokohama Maru* (European line) left London for this port via Suez Canal on the 31st May, and is expected here on the 10th July.

The T.E.K. Co's *Shinyu Maru* arrived at Yokohama June 1 and will sail June 4 for Hongkong and San Francisco as per schedule.

The T.E.K. Co's *Seigo Maru* arrived at Yokohama May 13 and will sail May 17 according to schedule for San Francisco en-route to South America.

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There will be one delivery of ordinary correspondence and one collection of letters from the Filler Boxes.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

The District Post Offices will be open from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m., and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., with the exception of Kowloon Office which will be open from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. only.

There will be one delivery from District Offices at noon.

Allied soldiers in the various hospitals in Siberia are badly in need of reading matter. Any books, newspapers, etc. for their use handed in at the G.P.O. will be packed and forwarded to them free.

The parcel post service to Cuba is suspended.

It is notified that all restrictions as to the use of Wireless Telegraphy by Merchant Vessels on the China Station have been abolished.

The Services to Germany, Austria, Bulgaria and the Ottoman Empire are suspended.

No unofficial letter addressed to Abadan, Ahwas or Mohammarah in the Persian Gulf may exceed eight ounces in weight.

The insured letter and insured parcel services between Egypt (or in transit through Egypt) and Cyprus are temporarily suspended.

Uninsured parcels for the United Kingdom will in future be forwarded from Hongkong in bags and the Public are therefore advised to pack such parcels very carefully.

Until further notice parcels for civil addresses in the provinces of Unina, Vicenza, Trieste, Padua, Venice and Belluno in Italy will not be accepted for transmission unless posted under the British War Office Permit.

The Parcel Post Services to British East Africa and Egypt (except for members of the Expeditionary Forces) and to Abyssinia, Bagdad, Fathima, French Somali Coast, Italian Somaliland, Portuguese East Africa, Zanzibar and Russia have been suspended.

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

In the case of Mails closing before 9 a.m. registration closes at 5 o'clock on the previous evening.

INWARD MAILS.

SUNDAY, June 23.
Straits—Per TELESIA.
Japan—Per KIO MARU.

MONDAY, June 24.
U.S.A. and Canada—Per NIPPON MARU.

Europe (via Negapatam)—Per GLEN FALLON.

WEDNESDAY, July 2.
Manila and Australasia—Per CHANGSHA.

OUTWARD MAILS.

SATURDAY, June 22.
Bangkok—Per TITANIC, 9 a.m.
Shanghai, North China and Japan
via Kobe—Per JAPAN, 11 a.m.

Straits and Bangkok—Per HAIYANG, Noon.

Wohaiwei and Chetoo—Per HUIHONG, 4 p.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per CHENAN, 5 p.m.

Haitow—Per YUE YING WA, 5 p.m.

SUNDAY, June 23.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa via Keelung—Per KAIJO MARU, 9 a.m.

Java and Port Moresby via Batavia—Per TITANIC, 9 a.m.

MONDAY, June 24.
Straits—Per KATSURA MARU, 9 a.m.

TUESDAY, July 1.
Shanghai and North China—Per HIKIANG, 11 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Keelung—Per HAIHONG, Noon.

Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, South Africa, India via Dhanushkott, Egypt and ETROPE via SUEZ—Per IDOMENEUS, Noon.

The Parcel Mail will be closed on Monday, June 30, at 5 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, July 2.
Shanghai, North China, Japan via Natsuki, Honolulu, Canada, United States, Central and South America and EUROPE via SAN FRANCISCO—Per CHIVA, Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.

THURSDAY, July 3.
Shanghai and North China—Per SUITANG, 11 a.m.

FRIDAY, July 4.
Swatow, Amoy and Keelung—Per QINYEN, 10 a.m.

Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, South Africa, India via Dhanushkott and RUROPE via SUEZ—Per TAMBA MARU, Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.

SATURDAY, July 5.
Shanghai and North China—Per YINGCHOW, 5 p.m.

SUNDAY, July 6.
Shanghai and North China—Per TEAN, 11 a.m.

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SUI AN, Brit., 750 tons, from Macao, Capt. Chispen, S.B. Co., Wharf.
KINSAN, Brit., 1,095 tons, from Canton, Capt. Smith, S.B. Co., Wharf.
KONG NING, Brit., 461 tons, from Canton, Capt. J. Taylor, Banker & Co., Wharf.
WAH ON, Chl., 433 tons, from Hongkong, Capt. W. J. Collon, Poo Tai S.S. Co., Wharf.

CLEARANCES.
June 27.
NISIN MARU, Jap., 6 a.m., for Keelung, M.B.E.
OANPA, Brit., 4 p.m., for London via Singapore and Manila, B. & S.
GEMMEI MARU, Jap., 8 a.m., for Sydney, Suzuki.
MOGAMI MARU, Jap., 8 a.m., for Cherbon, Y.K.K.
KAM YING EAT, Chl., 8 a.m., for Shanghai, Globe & Co.
HEIN TAI, Chl., 5 p.m., for Canton, Chinese Merchants.
LOONGSANG, Brit., 3 p.m., for Manila, J.M. & Co.
HAITAN, Brit., 1 p.m., for Fochow via Swatow and Amoy, D.L. & Co.
ANDES MARU, Jap., 4 p.m., for Rotterdam, U.S.K.

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LOCATING WRECKS.
During the latter part of the war a good deal of work was done in instituting methods for the detection of submarines. Some of these depended on the possibility of detecting the presence of a mass of steel by inductive or magnetic effects. Unfortunately, such methods do not give a very large range of action. The result is, that if a certain area is to be searched a good deal of time must be taken up in covering it by the searching vessel. It was suggested during the war that these methods might be of use for locating sunken ships. Generally speaking, the approximate positions of such ships are known, but possibly in many cases only to a few miles. The result is that a searching vessel equipped with these methods would have a definite starting point. Although some time might be spent in actually locating the wreck, this is hardly important as would be the case with the submarine, and it does seem at least possible that something along these lines would be worth following up.

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